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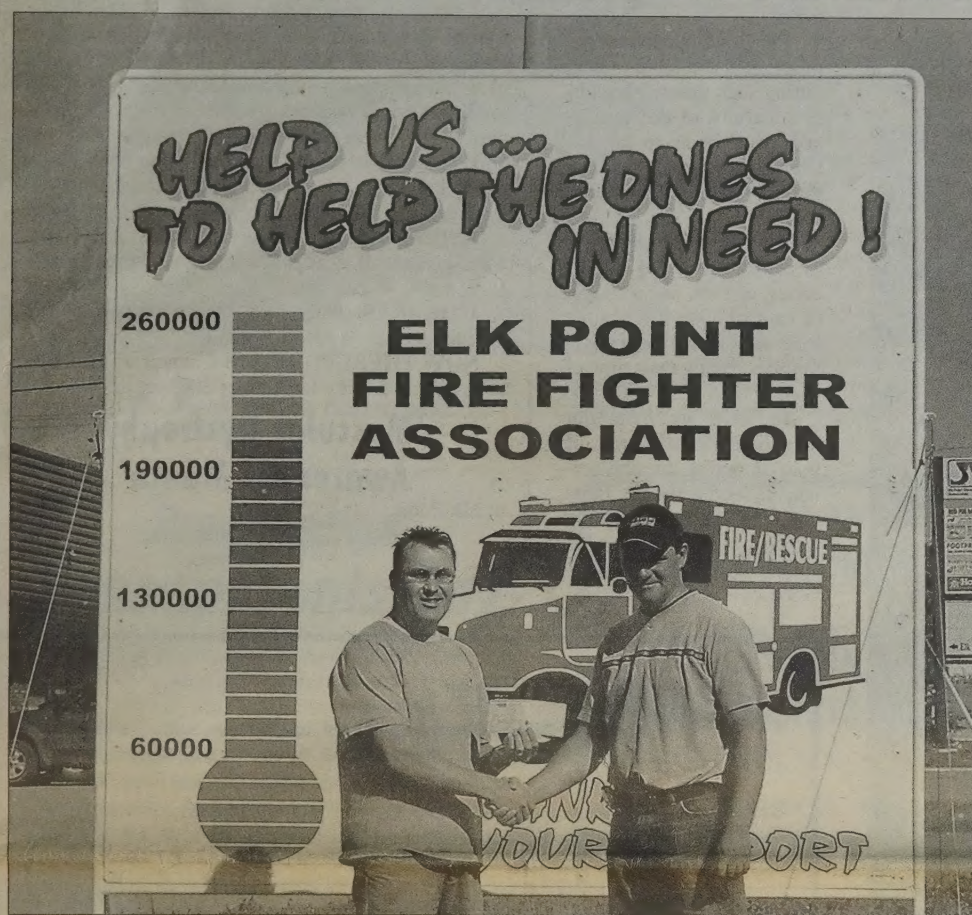
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Industry help for Rescue Van Fund

Jason Hayman from CCS Energy Services presented Nigel Lafrance with a check for \$5,000, which edged the fund over the \$190,000 mark. The fund received a most welcome \$75,000 provincial government grant by mail a few weeks ago, which sent the big thermometer along Highway 41 soaring closer to the goal.

PHOTO SUBMITTED

New rescue van ordered as grant swells fund

By Vicki Brooker

Review Staff

"The Rescue Van Replacement Fund was recently boosted by an additional \$80,000!" A jubilant Nigel Lafrance is delighted to report that a \$75,000 grant from the province and a \$5000 donation from CCS Energy Services "has really helped to boost our bottom line."

The Elk Point Fire Fighters Association praised "all the folks at MLA Ray Danyluk's office for their assistance in helping us receive this grant," and expressed their appreciation to CCS Energy Services for their very generous donation.

"We currently have about 80 per cent of our funding in place, which has allowed us to place the order for the truck," Lafrance says. "We are looking at approximately 10 months before the truck will come online, meaning that we should have the truck by the middle of June of next year. That gives 10 months to come up with the remaining 20 per cent."

Fundraising efforts to this point have included volunteer work at beerfests and barbecues as well as their very successful Fire Fighters' Ball and silent auction, in addition to the numerous donations, large and small, which have come from a variety of sources.

The Fire Fighters are currently looking for companies and individuals willing to get on board and help us achieve their goal, Lafrance says.

"Everything that has been raised so far has come either through generous donations, grants, or from the hard work of our Fire Fighters. Anyone wishing to be a part of our efforts can contact myself at 724-4373 (work) or 724-3283 (home), or any other Fire Fighter to make arrangements for your donation."

All donations to date have been recognized both in the paper and on the eight-foot-by-eight-foot highway sign, which now shows encouraging progress toward the Fire Fighters' goal of a new and larger rescue vehicle to better serve the community and surrounding area.

The Elk Point Volunteer Fire Department has outgrown their current rescue van, as the fire fighters complete more courses and become prepared to cope with more forms of emergencies. These new capabilities bring with them the need for more equipment, and the current van is too small to cope with both the volume and the weight of the additional items. At times, the fire fighters have reached an accident scene and found themselves without some needed equipment which was left back at the fire hall, due to lack of space in the van.

The reliability of the aging vehicle is also in question.

Lafrance and his fellow fire fighters are hoping to see the red line on the fund's thermometer continue to climb toward their goal, as donations "help us to help the ones in need."

Future of Heinsburg School in question

By Jay Gutteridge

Staff Writer

The St. Paul Education Regional Division school board discussed concerns about the future of Heinsburg School at its meeting last Tuesday.

The board received a letter from Frog Lake financial manager Kelly Chow indicating the band council is considering ceasing buses running from the reserve to the school in the 2006-07 school year.

"Approximately 140 students out of 165 (in Heinsburg School) come from Frog Lake First Nation," said superintendent Doug Yeo. "If they do not attend next year, we may have to close the school or redesignate it."

Frog Lake Chief Roland Quinney stressed no decision on the matter has been made yet.

"We talked about (ending the busing to Heinsburg), but no decision has been made. We're going with the flow right now," he said.

He added that having more students attend Chief Napewaw Comprehensive School on the reserve could have benefits.

"I think it would be good for the reserve, but we're getting calls from parents, also. We want to hear them out, and do a little bit of homework," said Quinney.

Trustee Deb Pederson asked Yeo if the parents in Frog Lake could be approached by the board on the subject, to which he responded that it is not the St. Paul school division's jurisdiction.

"The kids who are registered in our school this year, we can let them know the services we provide," he said of what can be done.

The board discussed future possibilities should Frog Lake decide to cancel busing to off-reserve schools.

"We need to reflect on what the consequences will be down the line," said deputy-superintendent Carmen Brodziak.

"We have to get on this fairly quickly. If we need to tell the parents we're looking at closing the school, we need to get on it now," said trustee Darrell Youngmans.

Principal at large Rene LaFrance noted about 40 of the students from Frog Lake who attend Heinsburg are driven to the school by their parents.

Yeo suggested writing a letter to Frog Lake to clarify band council's stance on the issue, and noted the board should consider all of its options should the bussing be ceased.

The board tabled the issue until its next meeting.

The board also talked about busing from Kehewin Cree Nation, which they'd heard would be ceased this year to both Bonnyville and Elk Point.

Last year, approximately 40 students from Kehewin attended Elk Point Elementary and F.G. Miller High School combined, said Yeo.

Indeed, no buses from Kehewin arrived at Elk Point Elementary last Thursday for the first day of school, said principal Lorne Young. Some parents from Kehewin did drive their children in to school, he said.

For your information...

By Vicki Brooker

Review Staff

The time has come to find out all you need to know about the programs and services available right here in Elk Point, as Elk Point FCSS hosts their annual Information Night next Tuesday evening, September 13, at the Elk Point Elks Hall.

A full house of exhibitors is once again expected, with some groups finding this the perfect venue to host registration for the coming season's activities, and others choosing to use this event to familiarize the public about available programs and possibilities.

The event dates back to the 1980s when a large influx of new residents in Elk Point made it imperative to introduce them to the amenities Elk Point had to offer, and had continued to serve this purpose, as well as showcasing new programs and services as they become available.

Door prizes and refreshments are also part of the evening, which goes from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Elk Point parent and tot playgroup starts again

Information Submitted

The Elk Point Parent Nursery Society is gearing up for another year of fun in their new location. The Society is a non-profit organization that encourages parents with kids 0 - 5 to get together every week for some playtime.

The group has spent the last few years in the Elk Point United Church. President of the society, Melissa Rogal says that, "although we are grateful to the church for letting us use their facility, we found we were outgrowing it." So they've moved into the basement of St. Michael's Roman

Catholic Church, located at 5329-48 Avenue.

Their official opening is scheduled for Wednesday, September 21, 2005. The Play Group meets every Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. until noon, and they invite everyone with babies or toddlers to join. Membership fees are \$35 per family, and for those that can't come every week, there is a drop-in fee of \$2 per visit and the first two visits are free.

For more information on the Elk Point Parent and Tot Play Group, call Melissa at 724-4302 or Margaret at 724-2621.

Food Bank collections continue to assist need

By JUNE LENIHAN

Contributor

Ever have a time when you would have really appreciated having a little help to put food on your table?

The Good-bye to Hunger program is available to help during such times. We gather donations of non-perishable food items to be distributed to local families through the St. Paul Food Bank.

Your donation of a box of cereal, a bag full of groceries, or even just a couple of cans of soup would go a long way to help our local families during their time of need.

To help us help our neighbours, please drop off your donation of non-perishable food at the Elk Point Co-op or the Servus Credit Union.

Thank you for saying Good-bye to Hunger.

Proclamation Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Month September 2005

Muscular Dystrophy is a group of neuromuscular disorders that have no known cure. In almost all cases, there are few treatments and no way to stop the disease's progression. Muscular Dystrophy Canada is a national, non-profit organization committed to improving the quality of life for thousands of Canadians with neuromuscular disorders, and funding leading research for the discovery of therapies and cures for neuromuscular disorders.

WHEREAS: People today have the opportunity to live longer lives because of breakthroughs in medical research, and

WHEREAS: Muscular dystrophy is a neuromuscular disorder that affects many and has no known cure, and

WHEREAS: Only through the support of the community may a cure be found,

NOW THEREFORE, The Council of Elk Point does hereby declare September 2005 as

'Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Month'

in Elk Point.

Parrish Tung
Mayor
August 15, 2005

Budget Officer 2

Northeast Alberta Community Board for Persons with Developmental Disabilities, Northeast Alberta – Add up the information in this posting and the career move will make cents! The Northeast Alberta Community Board for Persons with Developmental Disabilities is seeking a finance professional to conduct complex financial analysis and reporting functions for the Region in the role of a Budget Officer. You will be reporting to the Director of Finance and Monitoring, and as a key member of the Finance/Management Team will be responsible for the preparation of the Community Board's annual budget and the financial components of the business plans. This role will be tasked with conducting continuous analysis on changing service needs, monthly forecasting and the consolidation of key financial information from a variety of sources to enable executive decision-making. It will be vital that you possess strong interpersonal, teamwork and communication skills; these skills are backed by solid problem solving and consulting capabilities.

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Chamber's dream takes a new direction

By Vicki Brooker
Review Staff

A slightly disillusioned Elk Point Chamber of Commerce saw their train station dream turn onto another track last Tuesday, as president Sandy Smith related the most recent quotes for restoration of the former Myrniam station, one day

before the Chamber's option to purchase expired.

Local contractor Harold Lefebvre quoted amounts between \$304,000 and \$311,000 for cleaning the station and restoring it inside and outside. The higher price would be for new windows, rather than replacing glass in the

originals. These figures would be added to the cost of purchasing the building for \$12,500 and moving it to Elk Point, which has been estimated as between \$13,000 and \$20,000, for a total of between \$329,500 and \$343,500. Cost of a freight shed annex would be in addition to that total.

Lefebvre's quote for an exterior replica of the original Elk Point station with today's energy efficient features was in the neighbourhood of \$228,000, and includes the freight shed area.

The special meeting of the Chamber was called "because we have to let the owners [of the Myrniam station] and the movers know tomorrow," Smith said.

The restored original "would include insulation, but not to the efficiency of a new building," she added in answer to a question regarding energy efficiency. Also, if the planned new freight shed annex were added to the building, "we would have to have the annex and the building of the same efficiency."

Lesia Porcina showed the members a metal reinforced Styrofoam block similar to those her store was built with, and which are the material in Lefebvre's quote for a new building. Cement is poured into the interior cavity of the blocks for a structure that is very energy efficient, Porcina said, noting that her heating bill for the 6,900 square foot store is less than that for her home, which is a fraction of the size.

The results of the environmental tests on the proposed sites were not back, but Smith said, "where we put it doesn't affect the cost that much." She noted that the first choice of site, at the east end of the staging area, has no clay base and the water table is extremely high. "When they drilled for the tests, water kept coming up. It was a horrendous thing." In view of that, "we're looking at the site across from the hotel."

The pros and cons of both sites were debated at some length before Smith reminded the group of the need to make a decision on

purchase of the Myrniam building.

The extensive repairs, utility costs and difficulty in finding new beams if they should be necessary were seen as major problems for that structure.

Thomas Kondla, who has obtained plans and information on the Elk Point station, said that it was one of six built in western Canada, none of which are still in existence. "It would be interesting if we could rebuild one. [Building a replica station] is nothing out of the ordinary, Cold Lake and Mallaig are building theirs."

A motion to build an exterior replica of the original Elk Point station was passed on a 12-2 margin, with one member abstaining from the vote.

The choice of a site was deferred until test results are in and additional costs related to building on the eastern location are obtained.

The Chamber's first regular meeting of the new season will be held Wednesday, September 7 at noon at the Empress.



This vintage photo gives a track-side view of the just-completed Elk Point station dating back to 1927, and was brought to us by Allan Berg.

Proclamation Grandparents Day

WHEREAS, we seek to strengthen the values of family, it is appropriate we recognize that grandparents have made, and continue to make, many contributions to enrich our province, towns, communities and our daily lives.

WHEREAS, grandparents are a vital part of our families, who give generously of their wisdom, experience and love.

WHEREAS, we honour our grandparents for their skills, knowledge, experience and leadership.

THEREFORE, I, Mayor Parrish Tung of Elk Point, do proclaim Sunday, September 11, 2005 to be

Grandparents Day

I call upon everyone in our community to join in the celebration of Grandparents Day and recognize the valuable contributions of Grandparents.

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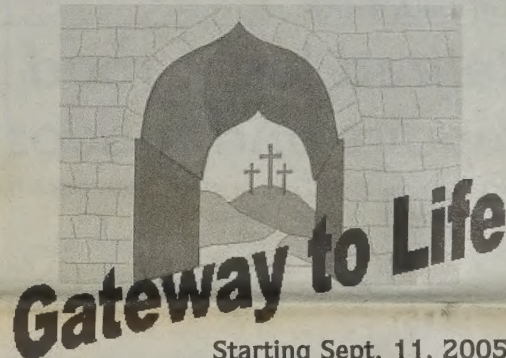
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Hilda Lake - September 11 (1:30 p.m.) - Hosted by Blackrock Ventures Inc.

Bourque Lake - September 16 (9:00 a.m.) - Hosted by Imperial Oil Resources

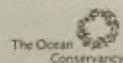
Bear Trap Lake - September 14 (Meet at the LICA office at 8:30 a.m.)

Cold Lake - September 17 (10:00 a.m.) - Hosted by Communities in Bloom

For more information on how to participate, call the LICA office at 812-2182 or visit the GCSC website at <http://www.vanaqua.org/cleanup>.

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EDITORIAL

Centennial celebrated, another on the way

Last Thursday, or Friday in Elk Point's case, we celebrated the 100th birthday of our province with a grand show of enthusiasm. Now it's time to start looking forward to another centennial.

In just under 15 months, Elk Point's own centennial year of 2007 will be upon us. It's time we all started thinking of ways the community should celebrate that impressive milestone in our history.

Think of the ways Canada celebrated the national centennial in 1967 - hundreds upon hundreds of "centennial projects" ranging from huge buildings and Expo '67 to Elk Point's Centennial Library (which is now part of the Town office) and St. Paul's UFO landing pad. Then there were all the centennial projects undertaken by groups and by private citizens who wanted to preserve the centennial year for posterity.

The possibilities presented by a centennial year are endless. Let's all start thinking about ways we can jump on Elk Point's centennial bandwagon and make our celebration an event to be remembered for the community's second 100 years.

We should also start writing down the names of this community's most interesting and influential people, past and present. It was good to see people from our area profiled in the *Edmonton Journal's* Centennial issue. We knew that these were unique individuals well deserving of such recognition, and now others will know the kind of people who make our area great.

WAY BACK WHEN...

Retired loan, road repairs and rodeos

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES IN THE ELK POINT REVIEW AND THE LAKELAND REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 6 IN...

1985

The Town of Elk Point's brief was the sole Elk Point representation at a NADC meeting in Glendon, with Deputy Mayor Bruce Kleeberger noting that the lack of a brief from the Chamber of Commerce "reflected very badly" on that organization. Elk Point FCSS released a study on Elk Point's social needs, which included activities for teenagers, family support groups, low cost housing, sports activities and a welcome wagon.

1990

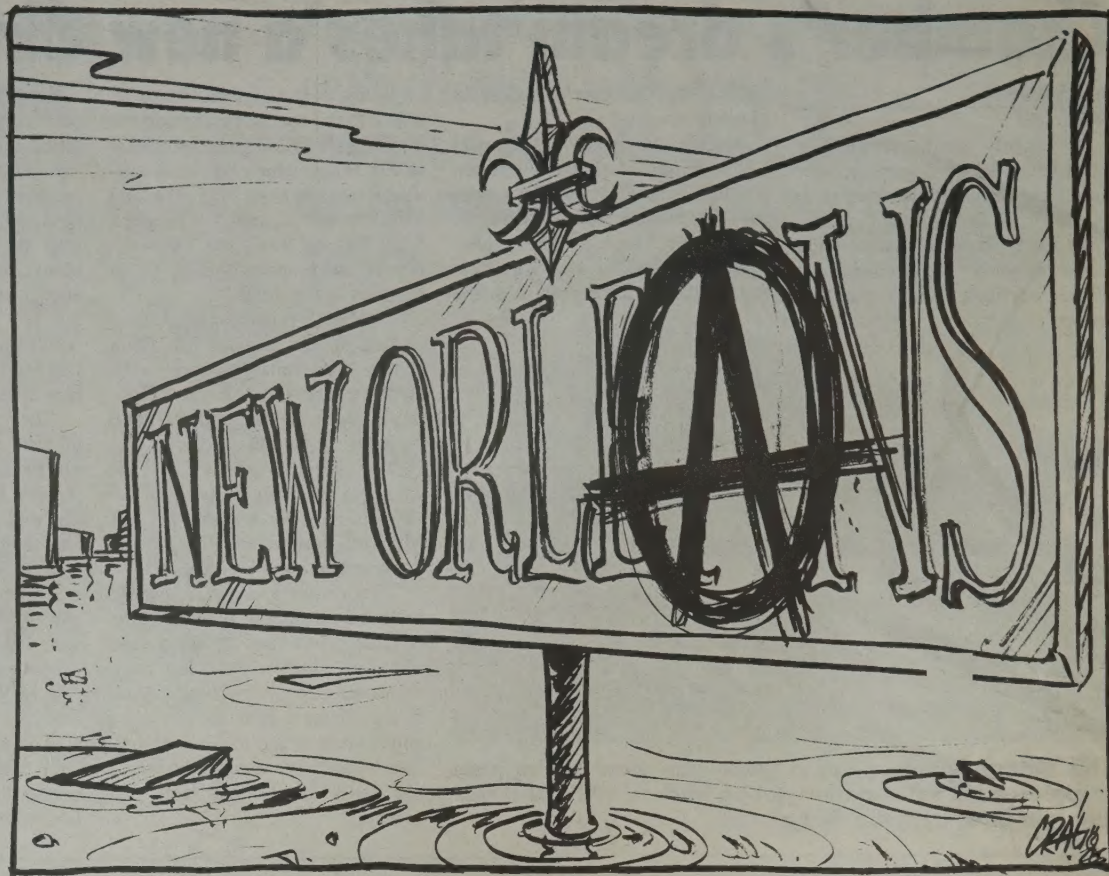
Elk Point Agricultural Society was having a good week, making the final payment on their two-year-old loan to replace the roof on the A. G. Ross Arena, and holding their open horse show at their new fairgrounds, where development progressed rapidly over the summer. Irene Magnusson praised the powers that be for their improvements to "the infamous lousy road west of town," which had been smoothed and polished to perfection.

1995

Dion Roscoe won the Showdown '95 bull riding championship in an all-out effort dedicated to his late friend and traveling companion Kirk Jackknife, edging out former Elk Point resident Derek Hehr, while Ted Hehr claimed the bareback title, CJ Best the season leader award for novice horse riding and Erica Nielson won the award for season-runner-up in the junior barrels.

2000

F. G. Miller High School saluted 26 high achieving members of the Class of 2000 at their graduation ceremonies, with another eight unable to be present for the evening, as Peter Danyluk and Michael Povaschuk sharing the valedictorian spotlight. Elk Point Citizens On Patrol Society was officially underway, with a brand new logo and over 20 members signed up to patrol the community.



OUR VIEWS

Information Night next week

Each year for the last many years, the FCSS office has hosted Information Night on the second Tuesday in September at the Elks Hall in Elk Point. Community clubs, organizations and related services are invited to display what they do and are able to offer to individuals and families who live in and around the community of Elk Point. So don't miss Information Night this year. It will be held on Tuesday, September 13 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Elks Hall.

There is a story told of a pilot who gave the following message to passengers over the intercom on an in-flight message. He said: "I have good news and bad news. The good news is that we're making good time. The bad news is that we've had an equipment failure, and we're not sure we're headed in the right direction." Now, that is startling bad news, wouldn't you say? For example, it was learned from a pilot flying long routes across the Pacific for a major airline the following bit of information. He said that an error of only two degrees in the course set bon the 4,500 mile, direct-line flight from Chicago to Hilo, Hawaii would cause the plane to miss that island by more than 145 miles to the south. If it were not a clear day, the pilot could not even see the island, and there would be nothing but ocean until Australia. But of course the plane wouldn't get to Australia, because it wouldn't have that much fuel. Small errors in direction can cause large tragedies in destination.

How does this story equate to you attending Information Night and gathering information about all the clubs, organi-

zations and related services being offered in the community of Elk Point? Well, probably everything. What you don't know could cause you to possibly lose out on something that if you did know and became involved, it would bring more joy to your life.

This reminds me of a verse composed by Douglas MacArthur when he was superintendent of West Point almost a century ago. MacArthur, a great believer in the importance of athletic competition in preparing future military officers for their professional duties, authored these words and ordered them carved on the stone port-

als of the Military Academy's athletic facility:

"Upon the fields of friendly strife

Are sown the seeds

That, upon other fields, on other days

Will bear the fruits of victory."

You're probably thinking he was a better general than he was a poet. Yes, but his pint is sound. The same qualities of integrity, training, preparation, obedience and reliability that produce victory in friendly athletic competition will see us on to victory and success when the stakes are larger. So there you go. The involvement in sports - an extra, has advantages in the lives of young people. Elk Point has several opportunities in this area. Come to Information Night and talk to some of these people.

Just in case you know someone who doesn't know about Information Night, please tell them.

Say, did you know there is a diminished readership of newspapers and books? For example, per capita circulation of newspapers in the United States in the last 30 years has declined from 300 to 190 per 1,000 population. Let us not be a part of that statistic.

Come to Information Night and be involved with what happens in Elk Point. See you at Information Night in Elk Point on Tuesday, September 13 at the Elks Hall from 7 to 9 p.m. And please... bring a food bank item.



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EASTHOPE

from the FCSS desk

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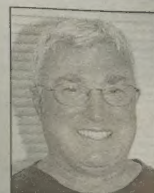
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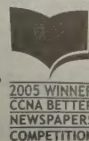


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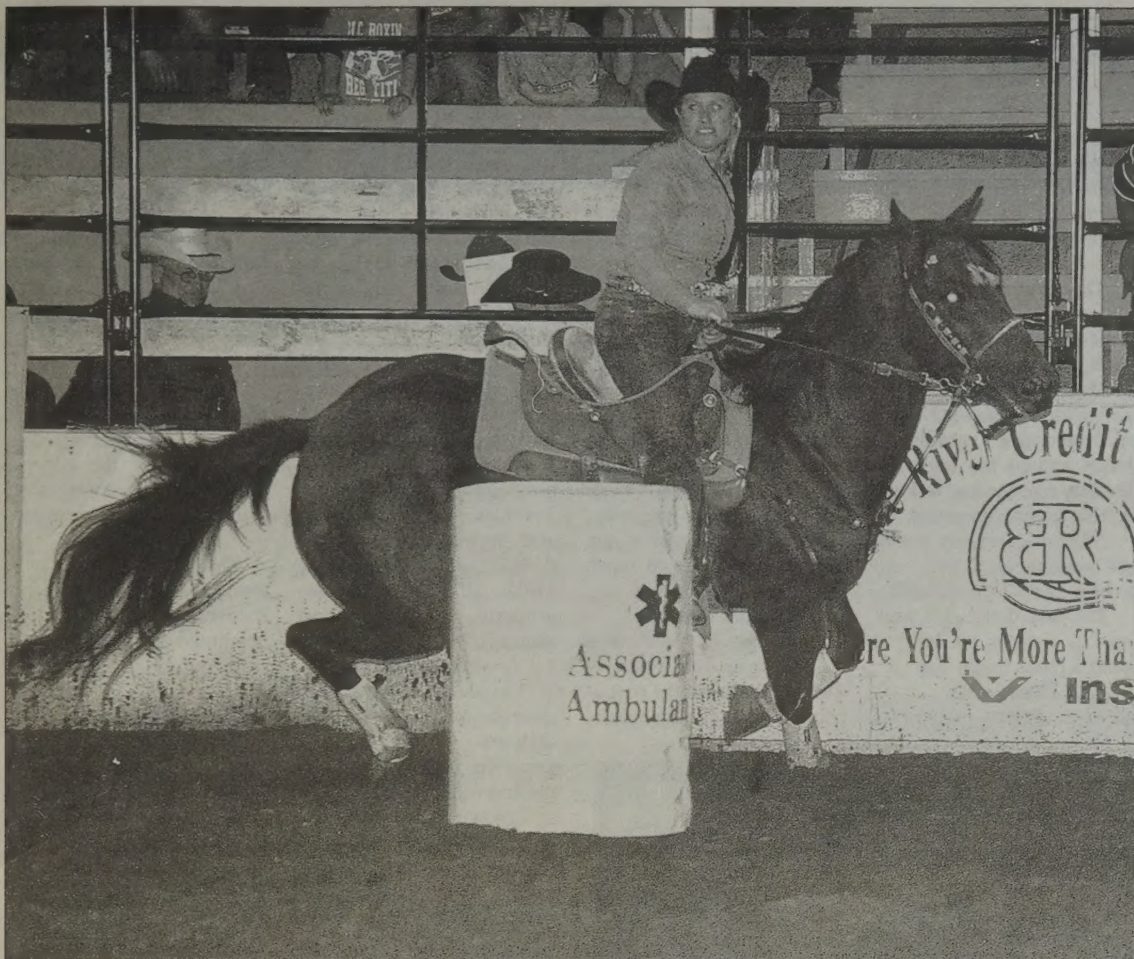
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First barrel of the finals

Wendy Young charges around her first barrel of the Lakeland Rodeo Association Showdown 2005 Finals in St. Paul on Thursday night. The seven-time finalist is one of the LRA's original members and a former Junior Barrel Racing champion.

JAY GUTTERIDGE PHOTO

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4-H camps come to a close

By DARREN TYMOFICHUK

Elk Point 4-H Multi Club

I'm back again this week to report on the Intermediate 4-H Camp at Moose Lake. Janice Tymofichuk, Robyn Ockerman, Lacy Wandler and Hillary Dallaire attended this adventure camp,

even though the weather was soaking and the temperature was chilling. Archery, tie-dye, lots of outdoor games, a talent show, banquet and dance and a campfire evening were some of the camp fun. Chelsea Schnurer was a member of

the junior staff for this awesome camp. Everyone had a lot of fun.

Just to let everyone now, our organizational meeting will be held September 14. If you are interested in joining 4-H, come on out. The program has lots to offer.



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Looking for better ways

Two Hills School ready for new school year

By JAY GUTTERIDGE
Staff Writer

The noise and mess of construction is over, and students at Two Hills School are now settled in to their newly renovated kindergarten to Grade 12 facility.

The official opening of the school is set for this Friday at 1:30 p.m. The St. Paul Education Regional Division board of trustees discussed the ceremony at its meeting last Tuesday.

After speeches from dignitaries, tours of the school

will be conducted by students.

Student trustees

Superintendent Doug Yeo will soon get a chance to hear the opinions of some very bright students.

The school board accepted in principal a new policy that would see the formation of a student board of trustees who would meet with Yeo on a regular basis.

"It gives me a chance to work with the best and brightest from each of our schools," said Yeo.

From the student trustees, one would also attend the regular board of trustees meeting each month, to contribute their opinions when asked.

Track fence

The new track facilities at St. Paul Regional High School need a fence around them, Millar noted.

He said Town of St. Paul administrator Wayne Horner recommended putting a fence around the track for liability reasons and to keep it from getting damaged.

"We've definitely got to put something there," said trustee Darrell Youngmans.

The board decided look into its options to find out what a fence might cost.

Wynn Coates

St. Paul Alternate

Education Centre student Wynn Coates paid the trustees a visit, displaying some of his artwork.

The board invited Coates after hearing of the young painter's recent success. Perhaps the biggest award Coates received is a Robert Bateman Award. His art is now featured in a calendar with the other award winners.

Coates told the trustees some details about himself and his work. Board chair Terry Laboucane presented Coates with a division pin, and Coates then had lunch with the trustees.

Two Hills sidewalks

The board rejected a request from the Town of Two Hills to split the cost of some new sidewalks around

Two Hills School.

"In the past, we have cost-shared with the Town of St. Paul doing sidewalks, but basically those sidewalks are on division property and are used by the town as well," said secretary-treasurer Jean Champagne.

The sidewalks in question in Two Hills are entirely on municipal property, he said.

"Why should we be stepping up and doing (the Town of Two Hills') job, and paying their bills for them?" said trustee Doug Millar. "If it's on our own property, I can see (cost sharing)."

SuperNet

The division will discontinue the use of its wide area network if the Alberta SuperNet runs fine through the end of this month.

The board decided if the SuperNet passes this test period, it would be too expensive to continue running the wide area network simply as a backup.

Negotiations

Negotiations between the board and the teachers on a new agreement are scheduled to continue this week. The two sides have been operating under the old agreement for about a year extra while the negotiations have been taking place.

Registration

Registration in the divi-

sion's schools in the Town of St. Paul increased a little so far this year, reported Yeo.

Completion rates

A report from Alberta Education shows the division's high school completion rates have increased since 1997.

ASBA award

The board approved the nomination of St. Paul Journal editor Jay Gutteridge for the Alberta School Boards Association Friends of Education award.

Counsellors

The coordinator of the division's PAUSE Program, Bridget Martin, has been appointed as the new student counsellor coordinator.

Pioneer Circle bingo

August 22, 2005

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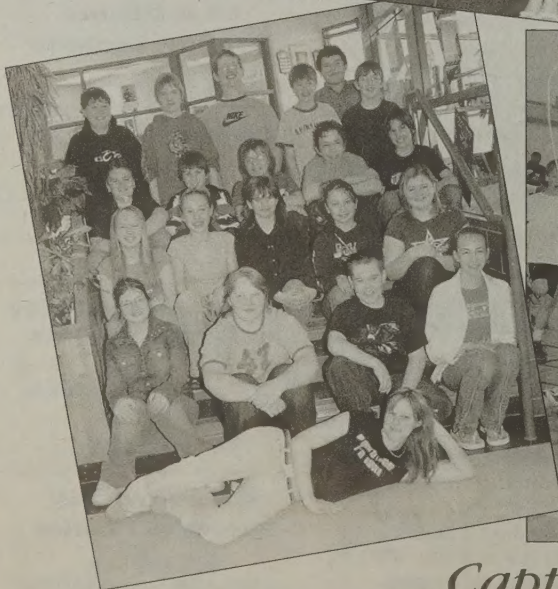
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Registration for the event, open to men's players 25 years and over and women players 19 years and over (as of January 1st, 2006), officially opened today at special ceremonies at the Hockey Hall of Fame.

The Championships will be challenged on six acres of natural ice from January 27 to 29, 2006 at Deerhurst Resort in Huntsville, Ontario. Neil Lumsden, Executive Director, is betting the championship will attract hundreds of recreational players and fans from across Canada in a celebration of hockey's roots.

"This championship will bring together people from across the country and around the world to compete in and celebrate the purest form of hockey," said Lumsden. "Pond hockey is the great leveler. A local team that has honed its skills on the frozen ponds in and around [city] could be the ultimate champions."

Men's and women's teams from Elk Point can register until October 14, 2005 at [<http://www.ezinteractive.ca/crm/redirect.php?id=47107&link=&url=http://www.canadapondhockey.ca/jwww.canadapondhockey.ca>]. Teams can consist of to five competitors, although shifts are limited to four per side. The championship is endorsed by the

World Pond Hockey Championships held each year in Plaster Rock, New Brunswick.

The championship is attracting large support from businesses across Canada, including Source For Sports, the title sponsor, and presenting sponsor, Yamaha Motor Canada.

Source For Sports has extended its involvement to all of its 150+ community stores across Canada. In addition, proceeds from every team's registration will go to the Source For Sports designated charity, Shoot For A Cure. Shoot For A Cure is a hockey-focused charity with a mission to educate Canadian's about spinal cord injuries and eventually to finding a cure. The Source for Sports Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships will be played pretty much the same way our hockey forefathers intended. There will be few rules (except those

focused on safety and fair play), no goalies and no on-ice officials. In all, 120 men's and women's teams will compete for a chance to have their names engraved on championship trophies hand carved out of maple. The Championship Cups are to be displayed for all to see at the Hockey Hall of Fame.

Honorary chair and women's Olympic gold-medallist, Geraldine Heaney expects a strong line-up of men's and women's teams. "This takes you back to the backyard rink, the local pond. This where many hockey greats first developed their skills."

Ice hockey - Canada's national game - was conceived over a century ago on

frozen ponds, rivers and lakes across Canada. The earliest of games were indicative of the times. Players wore blades strapped to shoes and used sticks formed from tree branches.

The game had plenty of other peculiarities. It wasn't unusual to have up 30 players a side, and the first puck (invented in Kingston, Ontario in 1860) was stamped not of rubber, but hand carved out of wood. The first rules came to be in 1879 by students of Montreal's McGill University. But they were basic rules, not much different than today's pond hockey.

In the early 20th century, hockey evolved from the

pond into man-made arenas and went on to experience many changes. All the while, pond hockey, on the other hand, has not changed much from its original form - the use of limited equipment (skates, stick, puck), the objectives, rules and most notably the fact it is played outdoors on a frozen pond. The game requires speed, agility, strength, finesse, teamwork and the courage and desire to battle the deepest chills of winter.

There are no face-off circles. In fact there are few

stoppages in play, except when goals are scored, the puck goes out of bounds or a player is called for an infraction. In all of those cases possession of the puck is turned over to the opposing team. There are no blue lines and no off-sides, making for lots of dramatic rink-length passes.

In the National Championships there will be no refs on the ice, only rink side officials. And off course there are no goalies, leaving the job of protecting the 4' ft by 8' net up to the

defense. It all adds up to an exceptionally exciting brand of hockey, something every recreational player and fan needs to experience.

For more information on the Source for Sports Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships, including rules and format, how to register, travel information and the full schedule of events, visit [<http://www.ezinteractive.ca/crm/redirect.php?id=47107&link=&url=http://www.canadapondhockey.ca/jwww.canadapondhockey.ca>].

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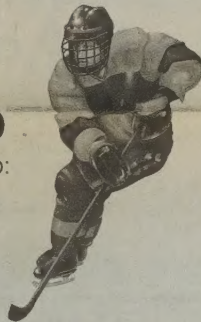
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AMA launches Centennial Legacy Project

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To celebrate the 100th anniversary of Alberta--and the upcoming 80th birthday for the Alberta Motor Association (AMA)--the association is launching 100 Journeys of Alberta, a centennial legacy project to identify and celebrate the 100 most significant historical, geological, archaeological, anthropological or social events or locations in the history of this province.

The legacy project will include involving AMA members and all Albertans in selecting these top sites or events, celebrating them in a "coffee table" book that will be available through AMA offices by the fall of 2006, packaging possible trips for Albertans to experience these significant locations, and the potential for some form of permanent outdoor recognition or commemoration at each of these sites.

"Both AMA and the province of Alberta have a long history of being ahead of our time," says AMA Chairman John Carruthers, "and our Board of Governors wanted some way to celebrate the significant history of this province. We will be working with many stakeholders and experts to identify the top 100 sites and events throughout Alberta, and look forward to promoting them--much as we have been an integral part of promoting travel and tourism within this province throughout our association's 80-year history."

Later this year, AMA will have a process in place to allow Albertans, members and communities at large to submit their suggestions for the top 100 places or events. A blue-ribbon panel of relevant outside experts will then select the top sites from among the entries. The special commemorative book featuring these sites and events important to Albertans will then be published by November 2006, the 80th anniversary of the creation of AMA. Other opportunities to celebrate these top 100 events or locations will also be pursued.

"Growing up in Alberta, many of us have taken a family holiday to various provincial, historical, cultural or geographical sites and landmarks that are fascinating, noteworthy and fun," Carruthers concludes. "Many of these sites have already been designated as important by various levels of government or agencies. However, more often than not, there is no sense of cohesiveness among them that could bind them together as a collection."

"We hope that our AMA Centennial Legacy Project will give this sense of cohesiveness, and encourage Albertans to visit these sites in a series of journeys, as a way of celebrating our past."

The Alberta Motor Association (AMA) is the largest membership organization in the province, representing over 720,000 members.

Groups plan activities for FASD Awareness Day

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Sept. 9 marks the seventh annual International Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Awareness Day. FASD is a pattern of physical and behavioral abnormalities that can affect a child when a mother consumes alcohol during her pregnancy. While it has been 32 years since FASD was first recognized as a medical diagnosis, many women are still not aware that drinking during their pregnancy can harm their baby. As a result, FASD continues to be the leading cause of developmental disabilities in Canada and the industrialized world.

People with FASD have a lifelong disability due to

their permanent brain damage and as a result are at risk for learning disabilities, early school drop out, addiction, mental illness, and many other problems related to poor decision-making. FASD is a lifetime disability but is 100 per cent preventable.

The Lakeland FASD Society and the Lakeland Centre for FASD staff work throughout the NE region to build awareness about the dangers of drinking alcohol in pregnancy, and to support those individuals affected by FASD and their families. As part of this year's campaign the staff at the Lakeland Centre for FASD is busy organizing and coordinating activities. There will be an open house and

information session at the St. Paul Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission (AADAC) office beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Sept. 9. Schools are being asked to include information about FASD in their first newsletter of the year and prevention message information is being distributed to all the liquor stores for use on Sept. 9. Watch for new posters on display around town.

We can all play a part in the prevention of FASD. If you have ideas for FASD awareness and prevention activities or want to support ongoing activities in the community, please contact the Lakeland Centre for FASD at (780) 594-9905 or AADAC at (780) 645-6346.

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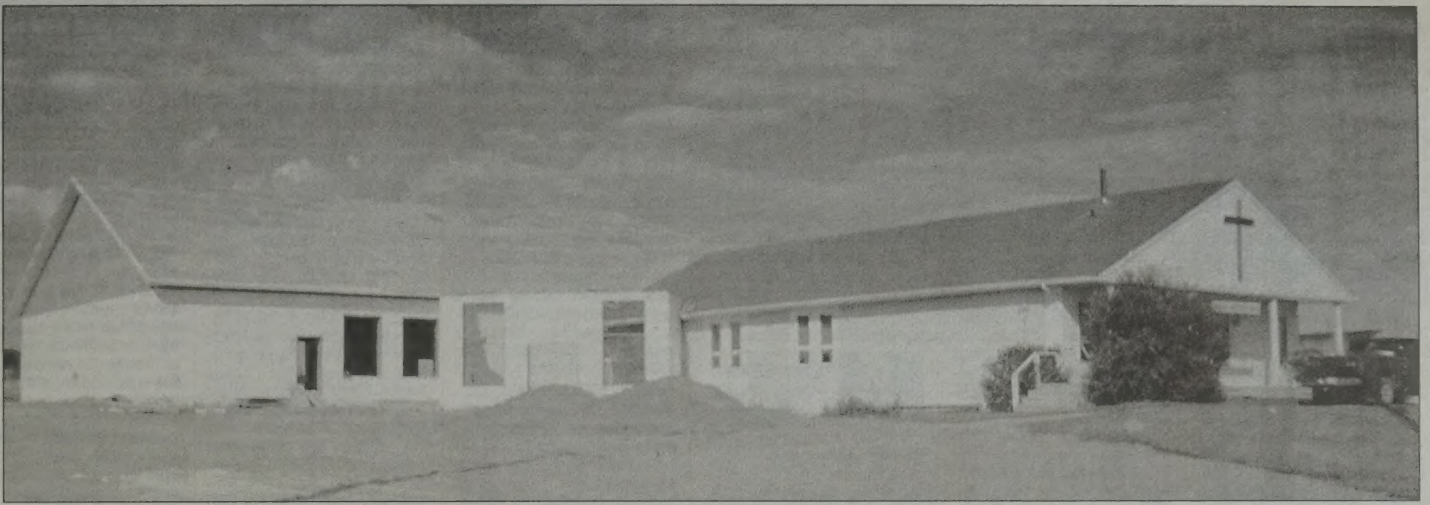
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In Memoriam

SERNIAK, Sheena Dawn

Oct. 19, 1985-Sept. 9, 2002

In loving memory of our grand daughter, niece and cousin, Sheena Dawn Serniak.

*We thought of you with love today
But that was nothing new
We thought about you yesterday
And days before that too.
We think of you in silence,
We often speak your name
Now all we have is memories
And your picture in a frame.
Your memory is our keepsake
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God has you in his keeping
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Savannah, Lindsey, Brandon.



In Memoriam

SERNIAK, Sheena Dawn

Oct. 19, 1985-Sept. 9, 2002



*If tears could build a stairway,
and memories were a lane,
I would walk right up to heaven
to bring you home again.
No farewell words were spoken,
no time to say good-bye
You were gone before I knew it
and only God knows why.
My heart still aches with sadness,
and secret tears still flow.
What it meant to lose you
No one will ever know.*

Love you to the moon and back.

Dad

Computer workshops continue @ Elk Point Public Library

By SHYLA BULLOCK

Elk Point Public Library

To all those who are still interested in taking advantage of the free computer workshops at the library, please note: these will be continued into the fall. Take of advantage of this great opportunity to brush up on your basic computer skills and learn something new. For more information, just contact Daphne at the

Library, 724-3737, and set up an appointment.

Over the summer the library has accumulated some new titles, such as:

Canada West, by Karen Pieringer and Fiona Malins, if you are interested in touring the sights and wonders of Canada;

No Country for Old Men, by Cormac McCarthy, to satisfy your need for adventure and mystery; and

Act of War, by Dale Brown, for an exciting fiction book of warfare.

There are many more new titles and best sellers to be found at the library, so come on down and check them out.

Seniors Tea today

All our seniors are reminded that the first Seniors Tea after the summer break is scheduled for this afternoon, Tuesday, September 13 at 2 p.m. Come down and enjoy!

In Memoriam



In loving memory
of our daughter

SHEENA DAWN SERNIAK

Oct 19, 1985 - Sept. 9, 2002.

*The three years have gone by
Without you at our side,
So many times we needed you.
So many times we cried.
Treasured are the memories
We keep them in our hearts.
On the day we lost you
Our whole world fell apart.
Your resting place we visit
And say a silent prayer
But no one knows the heartache
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Green Certificate Program celebrates 30 years

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This year marks the 30th anniversary year of the Green Certificate Program. To keep in step with agriculture's changing needs, the Program is undertaking a number of new initiatives for 2005.

"The apprenticeship-style training program offers practical agriculture training at the technician and supervisory level to high school students and adults across the province," says Raelene Ostrom, Green Certificate Program coordinator with Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, Edmonton. "A record number of approximately 875 individuals enrolled in Green Certificate in 2004/05. As part of the anniversary celebrations, we are adding an additional specialization, beekeeping, to our industry-driven training program."

As well, with support from the Canadian Cattlemen's Association, program coordinators are examining ways to enhance the two beef curriculums, feedlot and cow-calf production, and new ways to encourage career exploration within the beef industry of Alberta.

The Renewal Chapter of the Agriculture Policy Framework (APF) has also lent their support to enrich the other specialization areas of swine, sheep, dairy, field crop and irrigated crops and Green Certificate Program coordinators are working with the respective major commodity and producer organizations to enhance the curriculum books to ensure that current best management practices are reflected accurately in the training specialization areas.

"The APF is also supporting the development of trainer and tester development manuals and a series of workshops that will be delivered early in 2006," adds Ostrom. "We are also very pleased that the Farm Safety program is partnering with Green Certificate to boost safety training received by all program participants including trainers, trainees and testers."

For more Green Certificate Program information or information regarding these new initiatives, contact the provincial program coordinator, Raelene Ostrom at (780) 427-4183.

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Baling silage preserves feed with minimum loss

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Bale silage is the ensiling of high moisture forage, cereal or hay crops in an enclosed airtight system. This way of ensiling preserves feed with minimum nutrient and harvest losses.

"Bale silage should be put up at 45 to 55 per cent moisture," says Russel Horvey, beef and forage specialist with Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, Stettler. "If moisture is limited, the material is susceptible to microbial growth. On the other hand, excess moisture can cause leaching as well as an extended fermentation period that can cause a larger loss of protein and energy."

Once silage is baled, the sooner the bales are wrapped the better. When conditions are ideal bales should be wrapping within 6 to 12 hours. If conditions are less than ideal, bales should be wrapped in 3 hours or less. If too

much time passes the bales may heat rather than ferment.

"Once the feed material is put into the silage bags or tubes, and the system is sealed, respiration of the plant consumes the oxygen present and burns some of the plant sugars and carbon dioxide and heat are produced," explains Horvey. "Once all the oxygen is used, anaerobic microbes begin to grow and fermentation begins. These microbes produce lactic acid from the fermenting plant material and this lowers the pH of the environment until all microbial growth ceases and fermentation is complete."

The bales should be wrapped tightly to reduce the amount of oxygen in the bales. The plastic needs to be stretched and completely sealed or oxygen may continue to enter the system. When this happens, respiration continues to occur and heat continues to

be produced. If the temperature rises above 45 degrees Celsius, heat damage occurs and protein is denatured. The damaged protein is unavailable to the animal.

"It takes about three to four weeks for the pH to get low enough to stop all microbial growth," says Horvey. "After that amount of time, when the fermentation process is complete, silage bags can be opened and fed out."

Crops that work the best for bale silage:

- * legumes contain limited amounts of water-soluble carbohydrates (WSC) and are more difficult to ensile
- * legume/grass mixtures have a lower buffering capacity, therefore should ferment better than legumes
- * cereals are easily ensiled because of their high WSC levels and low buffering capacities
- * do not try to ensile a feed that was origi-

nally meant for hay or green feed and was rained on. The WSC will have decreased and any dirt that splashes on the feed could cause unwanted moulds.

"One of the significant advantages of ensiling feed is that this process allows you to harvest a crop when it is of highest quality without waiting on the weather," adds Horvey. "Also, bale silage increases the ratio of dry matter yield per acre because of lower leaf loss. The wide range of crops that can be used in this process makes it a very versatile option. In addition to lower harvesting losses and feeding costs, bale silage allows producers to use haying equipment, and does not require an investment in silage harvesting equipment."

Additional silage information is posted on Alberta Agriculture's website.

Contact: Russel Horvey (403) 742-7958

Master Gardener Program offered at the Devonian Botanic Garden

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The Devonian Botanic Garden (DBG) is once again offering its Master Gardener program. The Master Gardener Certificate, awarded to all graduates, is recognized in the horticulture industry and is an excellent tool for anyone interested in pursuing a career in horticulture or gardening enterprises.

"The DBG initiated the first Master Gardener program in 1994," says Gordon Nielson, instructor at the DBG. "Students should have a high level of interest in gardening and should be prepared for an intensive training program. The course is very challenging and takes a considerable amount of time over and above scheduled lectures."

Classes take place at the DBG and many of the lectures have question components and some involve hands-on practice and tours of various gardens. The course covers approximately 20 to 24 areas in horticulture, including: annuals and biennials; perennials;

herb gardening; plant identification; plant propagation; seeds and seed exchanges; working with seeds; garden pest control; soils, fertilizers and plant nutrition; indoor plants; lighting systems; wildflower gardening; alpine gardening; vegetable gardening; hobby greenhouse gardening; woody ornamentals; Japanese gardens; botanical keys; pruning; budding and grafting; landscape design; plant classification; history of gardens and gardeners; container gardening; botanical nomenclature; lawn care and maintenance; herbaria; and, plant physiology.

"Required homework assignments and practical experience make up a big portion of the time students must commit to the program," adds Nielson. "The homework often necessitates students using the garden's library or garden grounds for research. Also, 80 hours of practicum must be completed during the Garden's regular working hours. This practicum can be started as soon as

classes begin and must be completed by September 2006."

The cost of the program is \$450 (non-refundable) payable before the program starts. This fee covers the cost of all lectures, supplies used in the sessions and textual information, but it does not include textbooks. In addition, a \$125 refundable deposit is held on deposit by DBG until completion of the 80 hours of practicum.

Classroom space is limited. For further information or to apply, contact the education branch of the DBG at (780) 987-2064.

"Approximately 25 students graduate as

certified master gardeners from the program each year," says Nielson. "Many of our students have enjoyed great success in finding employment in the horticulture field once they have completed this program."

The next program starts on September 7, 2005 and runs from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for 16 consecutive Wednesdays, ending on January 10, 2006.

The Devonian Botanic Garden, an extension of the University of Alberta, is located approximately 15 minutes southwest of Edmonton on Hwy 60.

Contact: Gordon Nielson (780) 987-2064

2005 Alberta Sheep Symposium

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The agenda has been set for the 2005 Alberta Sheep Symposium, being held at the Red Deer Lodge on November 18 to 20, 2005. Encouragingly, worldwide demand for lamb is growing, and premium markets can offer more value to producers than traditional commodity markets. The symposium will offer presentations on:

- * grazing and silage regimes
- * Alberta's scrapie initiative and global trade implications
- * Saskatchewan's research into what top producers are doing
- * Alberta's Building Better Lambs projects
- * Can plant oils replace growth promotants in lamb rations
- * Disease issues that impact Canadian lamb quality
- * Premium lamb markets
- * Farm direct marketing
- * Marketing Canadian sheep to global markets
- * Early-bird registration for this symposium, prior to October 1, 2005, is \$75. Registration after October 1, 2005 is \$100. One-day registration is available at a set price of \$60. For registration or further trade fair information, contact the ASBA

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